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COMPLETION OF FILING REQUIREMENTS

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This is a response to the Notice to File Missing Parts of Nonprovisional Application, copy attached, dated January 30, 2004.

- ☒ The Declaration(s) is/are enclosed herewith. The above-identified application, on information and belief, is the application which the inventor(s) executed by signing the declaration(s) which sets forth the name(s) of the inventor(s) and the title of the invention.
- ☐ A verified translation of the application is enclosed herewith.
- ☒ The filing fee or balance thereof is hereby being paid. The amount paid reflects entry of any accompanying preliminary amendment.

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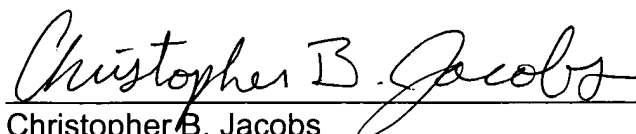
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☒ Submission of Formal Drawings
☒ Preliminary Amendment

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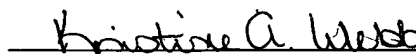
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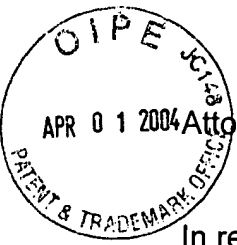
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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Dear Sir:

Please amend the application in the following manner.

In the Specification:

Please replace the paragraph found on page 12, lines 26-31, with the following paragraph:

The supply stand 188 also includes a pair of transversely spaced upright members 200, a transverse support member (not shown), and a guide such as roller 204 208. Wheels 205 are provided at longitudinally opposite ends of the base members 196 so that the supply stand 188 may be moved easily. The transverse support member is disposed at the bottom of the supply stand 188 and is connected at its ends to the respective base members 196.

Please replace the paragraph found on page 13 lines 11-19, with the following paragraph:

As shown in FIG. 11A, the front and/or rear guide surfaces 210 and 212 may be movable. In the illustrated embodiment the front guide surfaces 210 are formed

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by a retention strip that is mounted by a hinge 213 to the front wall 206. These guide surfaces 210 are movable between the closed position, shown in solid lines, and an open position, ~~shown in broken lines~~, (not shown) to allow for insertion of a stack of sheet stock material. The guide surfaces can be held closed with any suitable means, including spring biasing, to support the stack of sheet stock material placed therein. Suitable means for holding the guide surfaces in the open position while the stack is being loaded therein, also may be provided.